# York Prairie State Natural Area Seed Collecting Work Days







# You're Invited!

Please join us to collect seeds on the 3 units of the York Prairie State Natural Area and enjoy the beauty of these prairie remnants. The seeds will be used by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for a prairie restoration of a former agricultural field next to Abraham's Woods State Natural Area near Albany, WI. No experience is necessary!

## Thursday, August 21 Noon-2pm

We'll kick things off with a potluck lunch on the prairie followed by seed collecting. In addition to the items mentioned below, bring a dish to share, picnic ware, and a blanket or chair.

### We'll meet at Marbleseed Prairie on York Valley Rd.

From the intersection of state highways 39 and 69 in New Glarus, go west on Hwy. 39 for 7.6 miles, then north on York Valley Rd. 0.25 mile to a small pull off and sign. From the intersection of Highways 78 and 39, go east on 39 for 1.9 miles to get to York Valley Rd. See <a href="http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Lands/naturalareas/index.asp?SNA=348">http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Lands/naturalareas/index.asp?SNA=348</a> for more information and directions.

#### Weather:

If the work day is cancelled due to weather, a message will be left at 608-523-1551 at least two hours prior to the event. If there is no cancellation message, the work day will continue as scheduled.

### Additional collecting days (meet at Marbleseed):

Because various plant species' seeds are ready at varying times, we have additional collection days scheduled every two weeks so we can collect a variety of things when they're ready.

Saturday, September 13	10am-noon
Thursday, September 25	10am-noon
Saturday, October 11	10am-noon
Thursday, October 23	10am-noon
Saturday, November 8	10am-noon

### What to wear and bring:

We recommend wearing work clothes: Hat, long pants, long sleeves, sturdy shoes, gloves (optional). Bring drinking water, sunscreen, bug spray, and garden clippers if you have them.

#### Questions?

Contact Jim MacDonald at 608-523-1551, <u>consider.walking@gmail.com</u> or Heidi Hankley at 608-523-4095, <u>hhankley@gmail.com</u> (cell phone on day of event: 608-438-3911)

# We hope to see you on the prairie!

